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SYSTEM AND METHOD HAVING REINFORCED FUNCTION PUB. NO.: 2000-056954 [JP 2000056954 A] PUBLISHED: February 25, 2000 (20000225)

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POTHOVEN STEVEN

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1998 (19980720)

INTL CLASS: G06F-009/06; G06F-003/14

ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To support speedy graphical user interface development in object- oriented environment wherein subclass generation is insufficient by judging which of control enhancers is called to process a received event.

SOLUTION: Respective GUI(Graphical User Interface) controls 111 in a window 100 are assigned to plural control enhancers 112. Events are passed to those control enhancers 112 according to a control enhancer list 110 and the respective control enhancers 112 and events are registered in the control enhancer list 110. Then the window 100 once receiving an event passes the event to the control enhancer list 110, which calls a registered control enhancer 112 and stores it in a data storage handler 115.

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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WPI ACC NO: 2005-689111/200571

XRPX Acc No: N2005-565599

Resource consumption record reconciling method e.g. for electric power, involves aggregating resource consumption records into business records at target site after reconciling records between consumption site and target site

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: SIKSA M E

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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2004809662 A 20040325

Patent Details

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Alerting Abstract US A1

NOVELTY - The method involves collecting and recording resource consumption at resource consumption sites. The records of resource consumption are reconciled between the resource consumption sites and target site. The reconciled records are aggregated into aggregate business records of resources consumption at the target file.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- 1.processor system; and
- 2.signal bearing medium storing program to reconcile records of resources consumption.

USE - For reconciling consumption records of resource e.g. electrical power, into business records at target companies such as coal fired company, gas fired company, hydroelectric company and wind turbine company. Also applicable for resource such as heavy hydrocarbons like asphalt, tar, etc., liquid products like petrol, diesel fuel, kerosene, etc., gaseous hydrocarbons like methane, ethane, etc.

ADVANTAGE - Reconciles feeder records to billing system records. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the flowchart showing data collection, data reconciliation and charge data consolidation processes.

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: RESOURCE; CONSUME; RECORD; METHOD; ELECTRIC; POWER; AGGREGATE; BUSINESS; TARGET; SITE; AFTER

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60 ECLA: G06Q-010/00F, G06Q-030/00B US Classification, Current Main: 705-039000 US Classification, Issued: 70539

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DWPI Class: T01

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0010971742 - Drawing available

WPI ACC NO: 2001-595540/200167

XRPX Acc No: N2001-443822

Framework for handling request for services in a client-server computing environment assigns request to right service-providing entity in server

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: SIKSA M E

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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 1998119483 A 19980720

Patent Details

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Alerting Abstract US B1

NOVELTY - The framework includes at least one request object for receiving service requests. A request flow handler obtains at least one agent object for handling the requests for services. An agent factory creates at least one agent object for handling services requests at the server in response to input from the request flow handler.

The framework further includes at least one trace agent. A registry element maintains agent identifier information about the agent.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for a method for utilizing a framework.

USE - For client-server computer relationships.

ADVANTAGE - Facilitates rapid development and enhancement of client-server applications without requiring re-programming at the server. Allows specific function of new application to be implemented without the need for coding in new classes for those functions.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the framework design.

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: FRAMEWORK; HANDLE; REQUEST; SERVICE; CLIENT; SERVE; COMPUTATION; ENVIRONMENT; ASSIGN; RIGHT; ENTITY

Class Codes

International Classification (+ Attributes) IPC + Level Value Position Status Version $\rm H04L-0029/06~A~I~R~20060101$ $\rm H04L-0029/06~C~I~R~20060101$

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0009827167 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2000-118617/200011

XRPX Acc No: N2000-089904

System for providing enhanced functionality for handling each event of at least one event received by window object having a plurality of window controls

Patent Assignee: IBM CORP (IBMC); INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: POTHOVEN S; SIKSA M E

Patent Family (5 patents, 28 countries)

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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 1998119427 A 19980720

Patent Details

Alerting Abstract EP A2

NOVELTY - A number of control enhancers is used, each providing an interface to a one specific control for the window object. A list of the control enhancers is provided for determining which of the number of control enhancers to invoke to handle the received event.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for:

- 1.a method for providing enhanced functionality of window control in response to at least one event received at the window
- 2.a computer program product including program codes for performing the claimed method

USE - In computer user interactions such as graphical user interfaces. ADVANTAGE - Allows building a GUI application in less time than it would take to write special code for each control function. Thus the programmer can develop a set of reusable tools specifically geared toward the special needs of a given application. Existing controls, whether native or enhanced by a compiler vendor or by a third party, could participate in the design as well.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The drawing illustrates a system in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention.

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: SYSTEM; ENHANCE; FUNCTION; HANDLE; EVENT; ONE; RECEIVE; WINDOW; OBJECT; PLURAL; CONTROL

Class Codes

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System and method for providing graphical user interface control enhancers
              Verfahren zum Verschaffen von Verbesserungsroutinen fur
System
    graphische Benutzerschnittstellenkontrollen
Systeme et procede pour fournir des routines d'amelioration pour les
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ABSTRACT EP 977117 A2

A software application system and method aids in rapid graphical user interface (GUI) development in object-oriented development environments where sub-classing (buttons, list boxes, edit controls, etc.) provided by the compiler or a GUI toolkit are not appropriate. While the invention was motivated by the environment stated above, it can be used in any

EXTENDED DESIGNATED STATES: AL; LT; LV; MK; RO; SI

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS (V7): G06F-009/44

object-oriented GUI programming environment. This invention provides a method for adding functionality to native controls including, but not limited to: initializing the control with data or other settings; retrieving data from the control; formatting the data; validating the data entered; storing validated data in files or databases; handling multiple controls to create the illusion of a single control; and, establishing relationships between controls. The inventive system and method comprises a set of building blocks referred to as control enhancers, each including a data storage, a data initializer, a data finalizer, and means for maintaining and acting upon control relationships between the control enhancer and other control enhancers for related controls.

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XRPX Acc No: N2006-039384

Financial transaction method for settlement of electricity bill, involves transmitting payment information obtained from bill, to host provider for settlement of bill by referring to customer's bank account

Patent Assignee: ZAIR K (ZAIR-I)

Inventor: ZAIR K

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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2004864370 A 20040610

Patent Details

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Alerting Abstract US A1

NOVELTY - The method involves receiving customer information and a bill from a customer (100), at an agent computer system (106). The bill is scanned and processed to obtain the information for paying a creditor (103) such as utility company. The payment information is transmitted to a host provider (104) for settlement of the bill by referring to the bank account of customer.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- 1.apparatus for performing financial transaction;
- 2.computer system for performing financial transaction; and
- 3.computer readable medium storing program for performing financial transaction.

USE - For performing financial transaction for settlement of **utility** bill such as **electricity**, **gas** or **telephone** bill.

ADVANTAGE - Scans customer bills electronically irrespective of the different layouts of ${\tt each}$ bill , ${\tt automatically}$ and formats the payment information efficiently, ${\tt for}$ appropriate ${\tt settlement}$.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a block diagram of a computerized transaction processing system.

- 100 customer
- 103 creditor
- 104 host provider
- 105 scanner
- 106 agent computer system

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: FINANCIAL; TRANSACTION; METHOD; SETTLE; ELECTRIC; BILL; TRANSMIT; PAY; INFORMATION; OBTAIN; HOST; REFER; CUSTOMER; BANK; ACCOUNT

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60 ECLA: G06Q-020/00K1, G06Q-020/00K2B, G06Q-020/00K3C, G06Q-030/00B US Classification, Current Main: 705-039000

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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System for offering frequent deposit/withdrawal and automatic transfer service allowing settlement service using earning stock account

Patent Assignee: SAMSUNG SECURITIES CO LTD (SMSU)

Inventor: HWANG Y K

Patent Family (2 patents, 1 countries)

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Alerting Abstract KR A

NOVELTY - A system for offering a frequent deposit/withdrawal and automatic transfer service allowing a settlement service using an earning stock account is provided to automatically buy earning stock without a separate request if money is deposited to the earning stock account through deposit or salary transfer of a user, and pay the money through automatic repurchase of the earning stock if withdrawal is requested.

DESCRIPTION - A security cooperation computer (100) stores earning stock account information of each user and automatically buys the earning stock with the money inputted to the earning stock account if deposit data is received. If withdrawal data or automatic transfer request data is inputted, the security cooperation computer withdraws the money by automatically repurchasing the earning stock in case that balance is short. A cooperated bank server (200) has a virtual account linked with the earning stock account of a security cooperation, and informs the user of a deposit result or pays the money based on control of the security cooperation computer after outputting deposit/withdrawal data according to manipulation of the user to the security cooperation computer.

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: SYSTEM; OFFER; FREQUENT; DEPOSIT; WITHDRAW; AUTOMATIC; TRANSFER; SERVICE; ALLOW; SETTLE; STOCK; ACCOUNT Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60
International Classification (+ Attributes)
IPC + Level Value Position Status Version
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File Segment: EPI;
DWPI Class: T01; T05

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Legal expenses track and approval method in legal budgeting system, involves validating approval invoice amount, by comparing budgeted amount with invoice amount and reconciling approval amount with recorded amount

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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2004838000 A 20040503

Patent Details

Number Kind Lan Pg Dwg Filing Notes US 20050246274 A1 EN 78 51

Alerting Abstract US A1

NOVELTY - The approved invoice amount is validated, by comparing the budgeted amount created including the legal matter purchase order for legal work, with the invoice amount received with invoice data from the outside counsel for legal work. The approval amount paid to the counsel, is reconciled with the amount recorded in the sub-ledger accounting system of the business entity.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- 1.network based system for tracking and approving legal expenses; and 2.computer program for tracking and approving legal expenses.
- USE For tracking and approving legal expenses incurred by business entity using legal budgeting system.

ADVANTAGE - Reduces the transaction cost for business entity and time. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a flowchart explaining the legal expenses track and approval process.

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: LEGAL; EXPENSE; TRACK; APPROVE; METHOD; SYSTEM; VALID; INVOICING; AMOUNT; COMPARE; RECORD

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60

ECLA: G06Q-030/00C

US Classification, Current Main: 705-040000

US Classification, Issued: 70540

File Segment: EPI;
DWPI Class: T01

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-N01A1; T01-N01A2E; T01-S03

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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0015338858 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2005-689111/200571

XRPX Acc No: N2005-565599

Resource consumption record reconciling method e.g. for electric power, involves aggregating resource consumption records into business records at target site after reconciling records between consumption site and target site

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: SIKSA M E

Patent Family (1 patents, 1 countries)

Patent Application

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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2004809662 A 20040325

Patent Details

Number Kind Lan Pg Dwg Filing Notes US 20050216396 Al EN 14 7

Alerting Abstract US A1

NOVELTY - The method involves collecting and recording resource consumption at resource consumption sites. The records of resource consumption are reconciled between the resource consumption sites and target site. The reconciled records are aggregated into aggregate business records of resources consumption at the target file.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- 1.processor system; and
- 2.signal bearing medium storing program to reconcile records of
 resources consumption .

USE - For reconciling consumption records of resource e.g.
electrical power, into business records at target companies such as
coal fired company, gas fired company, hydroelectric company and wind
turbine company. Also applicable for resource such as heavy hydrocarbons
like asphalt, tar, etc., liquid products like petrol, diesel fuel,
kerosene, etc., gaseous hydrocarbons like methane, ethane, etc.
 ADVANTAGE - Reconciles feeder records to billing system records.
 DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the flowchart showing data
collection , data reconciliation and charge data consolidation processes.

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: RESOURCE; CONSUME; RECORD;
METHOD; ELECTRIC; POWER; AGGREGATE; BUSINESS; TARGET; SITE; AFTER

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60

ECLA: G06Q-010/00F, G06Q-030/00B

US Classification, Current Main: 705-039000

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File Segment: EPI;
DWPI Class: T01

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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0014214568 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2004-400313/200437

XRPX Acc No: N2004-319100

Order acceptance/settling system claims financial institution to settle cost of purchase commodity according to order information received through facsimile

Patent Assignee: OKI ELECTRIC IND CO LTD (OKID); HASEBE S (HASE-I); KURODA M (KURO-I); NISHIO M (NISH-I)

Inventor: HASEBE S; KURODA M; NISHIO M; NISHIO Y

Patent Family (6 patents, 30 countries)

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Based on OPI patent WO 2004040493
JP 4207534 B2 JA 20 Previously issued patent JP 2004151992

Alerting Abstract WO A1

NOVELTY - A service center (20) transmits order information received from a facsimile of buyer (12) to a facsimile of supplier (14), claims financial institution (40) to settle the cost of the purchase commodity or service according to order information, and transmits a report regarding settlement to the facsimile of buyer and supplier.

USE - For automatically accepting and settling order for purchase
commodity and service , that is received through facsimile.

ADVANTAGE - The supplier need not have to send the account or to confirm the reception of the payment. The buyer need not have to confirm the account or to transfer the cost to the supplier's account. The settlement cost is less, system is simple and security is high.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a schematic view of the facsimile order acceptance/order settlement system. (Drawing includes non-English language text).

11buyer 12facsimile of buyer 13supplier 14facsimile of supplier 20facsimile order acceptance/order settling service center 40financial institution

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: ORDER; ACCEPT; SETTLE; SYSTEM; CLAIM; FINANCIAL; INSTITUTION; COST; PURCHASE; COMMODITY; ACCORD; INFORMATION; RECEIVE; THROUGH; FACSIMILE

Class Codes

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DWPI Class: T01; W02
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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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0014161898 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2004-346905/200432

XRPX Acc No: N2004-277514

Automatic account tracking and balancing method for utility

organization, involves creating discrepancy and settlement reports for each service provider based on calculated account receivable

Patent Assignee: OWEN E (OWEN-I); BELLSOUTH INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CORP (BELL-N)

Inventor: OWEN E

Patent Family (2 patents, 1 countries)

Patent Application

Number Kind Date Number Kind Date Update
US 20040073500 A1 20040415 US 2000728705 A 20001201 200432 B
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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2000728705 A 20001201

Patent Details

Number Kind Lan Pg Dwg Filing Notes US 20040073500 A1 EN 12 4

Alerting Abstract US A1

NOVELTY - A billing data file comprising customer account records with respect to a service provider, is submitted to a processing entity. The records are separated into several tracking data sets and total amount of account receivable in each data set is computed. A discrepancy report and settlement report are created for each service provider based on processed and pre-processed account receivables.

DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for automatic account tracking and balancing system.

USE - For **automatic account** tracking and **balancing** with respect to organization related to utilities, telecommunication, communication service provision, retail institutions and credit organization.

ADVANTAGE - Since processing entities performs automatic account tracking, manual errors are reduced.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the flowchart of **automatic** account tracking and **balancing** process.

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: AUTOMATIC; ACCOUNT; TRACK; BALANCE; METHOD; UTILISE; ORGANISE; DISCREPANCY; SETTLE; REPORT; SERVICE; BASED; CALCULATE; RECEIVE

Class Codes

International Classification (+ Attributes)

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ECLA: G06Q-030/00B, G06Q-040/00A

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File Segment: EPI;
DWPI Class: T01; T05

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-J05A1; T01-J05A2; T01-J05B4P; T01-N01A1;

T01-N01A2A; T01-N03A2; T05-H05C; T05-L02

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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0013901488 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2004-080913/200408

XRPX Acc No: N2004-064613

Online client account management method involves reconciling bank accounts of clients by administrators on daily basis, after comparing accounting information with information downloaded from bank's server

Patent Assignee: SECOLA A F (SECO-I)

Inventor: SECOLA A F

Patent Family (1 patents, 1 countries)

Patent Application

Number Kind Date Number Kind Date Update US 20030225638 A1 20031204 US 2002114444 A 20020528 200408 B

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2002114444 A 20020528

Patent Details

Number Kind Lan Pg Dwg Filing Notes US 20030225638 A1 EN 16 5

Alerting Abstract US A1

NOVELTY - The generation of automatic call from an administrator's server, downloads an electronic file having accounts information of a client from a bank's server. The accounting information stored in the administrator's server, is compared with the downloaded information, and the results are displayed on the Internet, so that the bank accounts of the clients are reconciled on a daily basis by the administrators.

USE - For outsourcing accounting services through Internet, in business applications.

ADVANTAGE - Does not require employees, licenses, integration from client's side, and permits the user to access the application service provider without paying for the software.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a schematic view of the structure of cash summary module.

- 11 available balance
- 12 outstanding checks
- 14 undefined withdrawals(15) manual checks
- 17 deposit slips

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: CLIENT; ACCOUNT; MANAGEMENT; METHOD; BANK; DAILY; BASIS; AFTER; COMPARE; INFORMATION; SERVE

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60

ECLA: G06Q-010/00F, G06Q-040/00A

US Classification, Current Main: 705-030000

US Classification, Issued: 70530

File Segment: EPI;
DWPI Class: T01; T05

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-N01A1; T01-N01A2; T01-N01D; T05-L02

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DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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0012289890 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2002-230956/200229

XRPX Acc No: N2002-177715

Account settlement method involves determining whether settlement demand from portable telephone authenticates user's subscriber registration

Patent Assignee: SONY CORP (SONY)

Inventor: ASAMI T

Patent Family (1 patents, 1 countries) Patent Application

Number Kind Date Number Kind Date Update JP 2001243382 A 20010907 JP 200051781 A 20000228 200229 B

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): JP 200051781 A 20000228

Patent Details

Number Kind Lan Pg Dwg Filing Notes JP 2001243382 A JA 36 20

Alerting Abstract JP A

NOVELTY - An accounts settlement demand is transmitted to a management device from a portable telephone. The management device settles accounts about payment to subscriber, when the received account settlement demand authenticates user's subscriber registration. The account settlement result is transmitted to the portable telephone from the management device. DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- 1. Accounts settlement system;
- 2.Portable communication terminal

USE - For settlement-of-accounts for various services such as content delivery service , electronic mail service , automatic ticket reservation service, bank transfer service, etc. using the portable telephone .

ADVANTAGE - Accounts can be settled reliably, simply and correctly, using a portable telephone .

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the sequence flow diagram of accounts settlement method. (Drawing includes non-English language text).

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: ACCOUNT; SETTLE; METHOD; DETERMINE; DEMAND; PORTABLE; TELEPHONE; USER; SUBSCRIBER; REGISTER

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60

(Additional/Secondary): G06F-013/00, G09C-001/00, H04L-009/32, H04M-015/00, H04Q-007/38

File Segment: EngPI; EPI;

DWPI Class: T01; W01; P85

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-N01A1; T01-N01A2A; T01-N01C; T01-N02B1B; W01-A05B; W01-C01D3C

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DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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0012246854 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2002-186646/200224

Service method for guiding financial transaction and financial goods in real time

Patent Assignee: HAN Y H (HANY-I); KIM M S (KIMM-I)

Inventor: HAN Y H; KIM M S

Number Kind Date Number Kind Date Update KR 2001094670 A 20011101 KR 200017102 A 20000331 200224 B

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): KR 200017102 A 20000331

Patent Details

Number Kind Lan Pg Dwg Filing Notes KR 2001094670 A KO 1 10

Alerting Abstract KR A

NOVELTY - A service method for guiding financial transactions and financial goods is provided to remove inconvenience for inquiring deposit/withdrawal items of an account and an **account balance** for an **automatic** transfer one by one and cost load according to the inquiry by automatically guiding the deposit/withdrawal items together with automatic transfer information and new financial goods information in real time through a telephone, a cellular phone, a facsimile, or an E-mail of a client

DESCRIPTION - If a corresponding account balance is larger than amount of transfer money, a host computer of a corresponding financial computer network transmits automatic transfer information to a financial guide server(S33). The corresponding financial guide server detects call information of a corresponding financial guide service registration client using a transfer account number included in automatic transfer information, and guides automatic transfer information as a character or voice type according to corresponding call information through a telephone, a facsimile, or an E-mail of a client(S34,S35). If the account balance is less than an amount of transfer money, the host computer transmits automatic transfer information generated in the corresponding account together with information regarding an amount of currently insufficient transfer money to the financial guide server (S36). The corresponding financial quide server detects call information of the corresponding financial guide service registration client using the transfer account number included in automatic transfer information, and guides automatic transfer information together with an amount of the currently insufficient transfer money as the character or voice type according to corresponding call information through the telephone, the facsimile, or the E-mail of the client(S37,S38).

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: SERVICE; METHOD; GUIDE; FINANCIAL
 ; TRANSACTION; GOODS; REAL; TIME

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60

File Segment: EPI;
DWPI Class: T01

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-J05A

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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0011133660 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2002-070332/200210

XRPX Acc No: N2002-052058

Fare collecting device used in e.g. train system, has calculating unit that computes fare based on extracted route data from ticket which is used when passing through predetermined place

Patent Assignee: NIPPON SIGNAL CO LTD (NIUG)

Inventor: WATABE H

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JP 2001307148 A 20011102 JP 2000121208 A 20000421 200210 B

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): JP 2000121208 A 20000421

Patent Details

Number Kind Lan Pg Dwg Filing Notes JP 2001307148 A JA 5 5

Alerting Abstract JP A

NOVELTY - The fare collecting device has a calculating unit that computes a fare based on the extracted route data. An extracting unit obtains the route data based on the data stored in a ticket which is used when passing through a predetermined place to specify the riding routes e.g. transfer station.

DESCRIPTION - The fare collecting device is set inside an **automatic** ticket inspection machine or **automatic** account settling machine to collect corresponding fare.

USE - Used in e.g. train system.

ADVANTAGE - Collects actual fare of actually taken route. Ensures simple writing of route data and other positional data through global positioning system (GPS). Can **use** IC card with radio communication function for mobile **telephone** or portable data processor as ticket.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure is a flowchart showing the control action of the fare connecting device. Drawing includes non-English language text.

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: FARE; COLLECT; DEVICE; TRAIN; SYSTEM; CALCULATE; UNIT; COMPUTATION; BASED; EXTRACT; ROUTE; DATA; TICKET; PASS; THROUGH; PREDETERMINED; PLACE

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G07B-015/00
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File Segment: EPI;
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0010813527 - Drawing available WPI ACC NO: 2001-430290/200146

Communication network account transfer system that uses main settlement account and multiple supplementary settlement accounts and payment settlement method that uses above system

Patent Assignee: KEE S C (KEES-I)

Inventor: KEE S C

Number Kind Date Number Kind Date Update KR 2001000616 A 20010105 KR 200059370 A 20001009 200146 B

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): KR 200059370 A 20001009

Patent Details

Number Kind Lan Pg Dwg Filing Notes KR 2001000616 A KO 1 10

Alerting Abstract KR A

NOVELTY - A payment settlement method that uses above system is provided to create supplementary accounts that normally holds zero balance but receives account transfers from a main settlement account for account payments and returns any remaining balance to the main account and to enable the user to make account transfers by **using** one's wired/wireless **telephone** and connecting to the ARS(Automatic Response System).

DESCRIPTION - An electronic commerce payment settlement method that uses above system is composed of connection, search, selection, and payment. A settlement account member, who possesses both a main settlement account and multiple supplementary settlement accounts, connects to the internet (S101) and to the electronic commerce site for product search or business execution(S102), and searches various product or business information(S103). The member selects a product and makes a business agreement(S104), contacts the predetermined automatic account transfer communication network, and makes the account transfer to the supplementary account (S105). The supplementary account counts down the predetermined payment duration period(S106) and makes the payment within the predetermined duration period(S107,S108). If a balance remains after the predetermined time period has expired, an automatic account transfer of the remaining balance is made(S109,S110,S111). The electronic commerce transaction information is stored in the electronic commerce site's web server and network communication network DB(S112).

Title Terms/Index Terms/Additional Words: COMMUNICATE; NETWORK; ACCOUNT; TRANSFER; SYSTEM; MAIN; SETTLE; MULTIPLE; SUPPLEMENTARY; PAY; METHOD; ABOVE

Class Codes

International Classification (Main): G06F-017/60

File Segment: EPI;
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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS (V7): G06F-011/00 ...
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- \dots CLAIMS entry, and for receiving said code modules into said customer system.
 - 2. A system for **automated** problem analysis and **resolution** of a customer data processor (110), comprising:
 - a problem **log** (242) stored in said customer processor for holding a plurality of entries containing fields identifying...

...as to extract therefrom a number of problem resolutions matching said search arguments from said **service** requests; and wherein said communications link is **used** for transmitting said **service** requests to said central **service** processor, and for transmitting said problem resolutions to said customer processor.

(Item 9 from file: 349) 24/3,K/9 DIALOG(R) File 349: PCT FULLTEXT (c) 2009 WIPO/Thomson. All rts. reserv. 01340774 **Image available** A MOMENTARY POWER MARKET MARCHE MOMENTANE DE L'ELECTRICITE Patent Applicant/Inventor: STOILOV Georgi Dimov, Gueschevo St., No 68, entrance B, 1379 Sofia, BG, BG (Residence), BG (Nationality), (Designated for all) STOILOV Dimo Georgiev, Lulin district, block 101, entrance A, 1335 Sofia, BG, BG (Residence), BG (Nationality), (Designated for all) STOILOV Luben Georgiev, Gueschevo St., No 68, entrance B, 1379 Sofia, BG, BG (Residence), BG (Nationality), (Designated for all) Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date): Patent: WO 200621058 A1 20060302 (WO 0621058) Application: WO 2004BG23 20041202 (PCT/WO BG2004000023) Priority Application: BG 108851 20040823 Designated States: (All protection types applied unless otherwise stated - for applications 2004+)AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BW BY BZ CA CH CN CO CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EC EE EG ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NA NI NO NZ OM PG PH PL PT RO RU SC SD SE SG SK SL SY TJ TM TN TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VC VN YU ZA ZM ZW (EP) AT BE BG CH CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR HU IE IS IT LT LU MC NL PL PT RO SE SI SK TR (OA) BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN GQ GW ML MR NE SN TD TG (AP) BW GH GM KE LS MW MZ NA SD SL SZ TZ UG ZM ZW (EA) AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM Publication Language: English Filing Language: English Fulltext Word Count: 17783

Detailed Description

Fulltext Availability:
Detailed Description

... power or bill. Every one of them controls the value he is interested in.

Main International Patent Class (v7): G06F-017/60

the **power** or the **energy** supplied, or transferred, or distributed, or **consumed** and of 715 course the costs or the charges or the liabilities. Client is not any more forced to wait for some body to read meters then to make **billing** and **settlement** for him. By simple procedures Consumers can check their **bills** and can arrange **automated** payments. The simplicity and the other advantages are obvious.

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A SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR A LEGACY WRAPPER IN A
    COMMUNICATION SERVICES PATTERNS ENVIRONMENT
SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET DISPOSITIF POUR MODULE D'HABILLAGE EXISTANT DANS UN
    ENVIRONNEMENT DE SCHEMAS DE SERVICES DE COMMUNICATION
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Inventor(s):
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    Roadast, Palo Alto, CA 94304, US,
Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date):
  Patent:
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  Application:
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  Figure 151 illustrates a load balancer mediating the requests of Figure
  150; Figure 152 illustrates a flowchart for a method for...sound, video),
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  Automatic error logging for Tuxedo components (ULOG, tagent log)
  Application code can write to the ULOG with...predictable, well defined
  interfaces) can be used in any situation, as long as it's used for its
  intended purpose. It knows how to perform its services without regard
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to what's happening outside of its boundaries (e.g., the actions that...

24/3,K/36 (Item 36 from file: 349) DIALOG(R)File 349:PCT FULLTEXT (c) 2009 WIPO/Thomson. All rts. reserv. 00775307 **Image available** A SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR DETERMINING CAPABILITY LEVELS OF PROCESSES TO EVALUATE OPERATIONAL MATURITY OF AN ORGANIZATION

PROCESSES TO EVALUATE OPERATIONAL MATURITY OF AN ORGANIZATION

SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET ARTICLE DE FABRICATION DESTINES A DETERMINER DES

NIVEAUX DE CAPACITE D'OPERATIONS POUR DES BESOINS D'EVALUATION

D'OPERATION DANS UNE RECHERCHE DE MATURITE OPERATIONNELLE

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Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date):

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Application: WO 2000US20353 20000726 (PCT/WO US0020353)

Priority Application: US 99361338 19990726

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Main International Patent Class (v7): G06F-017/60

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... distributed storage media (e.g., tapes, disks, etc.) including tile monitoring and controlling of storage **resources** and their **usage**. Mass Storage Management can be viewed as providing the top level of storage management with...

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DIALOG(R)File 349:PCT FULLTEXT (c) 2009 WIPO/Thomson. All rts. reserv. 00761424

A SYSTEM, METHOD, AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR PHASE DELIVERY OF

COMPONENTS OF A SYSTEM REQUIRED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF TECHNOLOGY SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET ARTICLE MANUFACTURE DESTINES A LA FOURNITURE PAR PHASES DE COMPOSANTS D'UN SYSTEME NECESSAIRES A L'APPLICATION D'UNE TECHNIQUE Patent Applicant/Assignee: ACCENTURE LLP, 100 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606, US, US (Residence), US (Nationality) Inventor(s): GUHEEN Michael F, 2218 Mar East Street, Tiburon, CA 94920, US, MITCHELL James D, 3004 Alma, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266, US,

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Minneapolis, MN 55402-0903, US, Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date):

Patent: WO 200073930 A2 20001207 (WO 0073930)

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Fulltext Word Count: 149456 Main International Patent Class (v7): G06F-017/60

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... conveyed verbally. The person is also much more likely to retain that information. However, a balance must be maintained between presenting information in a manner so as to be more likely...vendor is assigned a unique indicia coding. Each of the components provided by a vendor service is indicia coded to indicate which vendor or vendors provide the services, as performed in...For simple designs, tools such as PowerPoint are normally adequate. Data flow diagrams may be used to show how clients send messages to services . The tools used should help developers to ensure that objects in the diagrams are linked to the actual...

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AUTOMATED INTERACTIVE BILL PAYMENT SYSTEM SYSTEME DE PAIEMENT DES FACTURES INTERACTIF AUTOMATISE

Patent Applicant/Assignee: TELEPAY INC, Inventor(s): ROGERS Catherine R, Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date): Patent: WO 9522113 A1 19950817 Application: WO 95US1131 19950127 (PCT/WO US9501131) Priority Application: US 94195372 19940214 Designated States: (Protection type is "patent" unless otherwise stated - for applications prior to 2004) AM AT AU BB BG BR BY CA CH CN CZ DE DK EE ES FI GB GE HU JP KE KG KP KR KZ LK LR LT LU LV MD MG MN MW NL NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SI SK TJ TT UA UZ VN KE MW SD SZ AT BE CH DE DK ES FR GB GR IE IT LU MC NL PT SE BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN ML MR NE SN TD TG Publication Language: English Fulltext Word Count: 8485 Main International Patent Class (v7): G06F Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Detailed Description

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been presented to the debit networks for a real-time authorization initiated by the **consumer** from a touch tone **telephone** with the debit card number **used** as the transaction vehicle. Additionally, this process has never been done without the requirement of...

...the amount that the debit card network will distribute between TelePay and the payee at **settlement**. The amount of the **bill** that was paid is **automatically** added to the amount that will be credited to the payee at the end of...

III. Text Search Results from Dialog

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DIALOG(R) File 139: EconLit

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TITLE: An Algorithm for Balancing Commodity-Flow Systems

AUTHOR(S): Dalgaard, Esben; Gysting, Christian

AUTHOR(S) AFFILIATION: Statistics Denmark; Statistics Denmark

JOURNAL NAME: Economic Systems Research,

JOURNAL VOLUME & ISSUE: 16 2,

PAGES: 169-90

PUBLICATION DATE: 2004 LANGUAGE: English

AVAILABILTY: http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/09535314.asp

ISSN: 0953-5314

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal Article ABSTRACT INDICATOR: Abstract

ABSTRACT: In many cases there is a need to balance commodity-flow system data quickly and with limited **resources**. In order to compile new supply and **use** tables and investment matrices consistent with revised national accounts data, it can be necessary to apply some sort of **automatic balancing** technique. The paper proposes an algorithm that, contrary to RAS, can balance a commodity-flow system with unequal net row and column sums. The algorithm is applied to a recent revision of Danish capital stock estimates.

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION DESCRIPTOR(S): Denmark

REGIONAL INTEREST: Europe

DESCRIPTOR(S) (1991 to Present): General Equilibrium and Disequilibrium: Input-Output Tables and Analysis (D570)

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DIALOG(R)File 583:Gale Group Globalbase(TM)
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Maybank, Tenaga in power bill deal

MALAYSIA: TENAGA IN PACT WITH MAYBANK

The Star (XAT) 01 Dec 2000 Business, p.5

Language: ENGLISH

On 30 November 2000, Malaysia's Tenaga Nasional Bhd (TNB) sealed an accord with Malayan Banking Bhd (Maybank) of Malaysia to launch the TNB Autopay recurring payment facility in Malaysia. The new facility will enable

financial entities, Maybank Finance and Maybank credit card subscribers to use their credit card accounts to settle automatically power utility bills of TNB. The processing of the payment bills and the debit of the accounts will be carried out by Maybank in accordance with TNB's instructions. TNB clients who subscribe to the new facility will only be permitted to pay their power bills if the amount is not above RM 1,000 per account. This was noted by Abdul Aziz Peru Mohamed, the consumer banking general manager at Maybank. With TNB Autopay, Maybank has emerged as the maiden entity in its field to launch a recurring payment system to credit card members.

COMPANY: MAYBANK FINANCE; MAYBANK; MALAYAN BANKING; TNB; TENAGA NASIONAL PRODUCT: Credit Card Services (6020CC); Nonbank Credit Card Firms (6141);

EVENT: Marketing Procedures (24);

COUNTRY: Malaysia (9MAO);

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FUELINK OFFERS NATIONAL BUNKERING SERVICE

UK - FUELINK OFFERS NATIONAL BUNKERING SERVICE

Retail Week (RWK) 28 June 1991 p12

Fuelink, a fuel bunkering service, offers a national network of over 160 sites where retailers can buy fuel at a competitive price. Most of the sites are linked to the company's mainframe computer in Manchester, UK, which is able to provide customers with a statement containing a weekly stock-remaining balance, automatic advice on reordering and the number of fill-ups per month. Drivers using the service can also buy oil abd have direct access to the specialist rescue service for freight vehicles, AA BRS Rescue. According to Chris Monroe, director and general manager of Fuelink, average saving using the service is between two and four pence per litre. Fuelink is part of the National Freight Corporation.

PRODUCT: Oil Products (2911);

EVENT: LAND USE/PURCHASE/SALES (41);

COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK); OECD Europe (415); NATO Countries (420);

South East Asia Treaty Organisation (913);

16/5/27 (Item 2 from file: 2)

DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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09253394 INSPEC Abstract Number: B2005-02-6210L-546, C2005-03-5620-030

Title: Design and implementation of an application server load balancing architecture supporting the end-to-end provisioning of value-added services Author(s): Vlaeminck, K.; Van Hoecke, S.V.; De Turck, F.; Dhoedt, B.; Demeester, P.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Inf. Technol., Ghent Univ., Belgium Conference Title: 11th International Telecommunications Network Strategy and Planning Symposium (IEEE Cat. No.04EX833) p.345-50 Editor(s): Kaindl, H.

Publisher: VDE Verlag GMBH, Berlin, Germany

Country of Publication: Germany 464 pp.

ISBN: 3 8007 2840 0 Material Identity Number: XX-2003-03557

Conference Title: 11th International Telecommunications Network Strategy and Planning Symposium

Conference Sponsor: mobilkon austria; Telekon Austria; Deutsche Telekon; Siemens AG Austria

Conference Date: 13-16 June 2004 Conference Location: Vienna, Austria Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Practical (P); Theoretical (T)

Abstract: Service providers can offer a wide variety of value added services, such as managed home networking, home-automation and security management, multimedia multiparty conferencing and content delivery. Very often hard- and software from different vendors are **used** to implement services . In most cases, multiple application servers need to be deployed for each service in order to balance the load of the service sessions. In this paper we describe an architecture that offers automatic balancing of service sessions over the available application abstracting from the actual type of the service and its servers, implementation by translating the service and vendor specific request formats into an internal XML format. The load balancing of the service sessions is done taking into account the capabilities of each application server (which service(s) does it implement), its load, and the location of running sessions (a request to join an active session has to be forwarded to the application server running the session). Furthermore, scalability is ensured by organizing the application servers into pools. New application servers can easily be added. (13 Refs)

Subfile: B C

Descriptors: computer network management; multimedia communication; network servers; resource allocation; telecommunication services; XML Identifiers: application server load balancing architecture; value-added service; service provider; automatic load balancing; service session; vendor specific request format; XML format; distributed scalable management

Class Codes: B6210L (Computer communications); B6210C (Network management); B6210R (Multimedia communications); C5620 (Computer networks and techniques); C6150N (Distributed systems software); C6130M (Multimedia) Copyright 2005, IEE

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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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; service enabling platform; service management architecture

08892330 INSPEC Abstract Number: B2004-04-8150-011, C2004-04-7410B-099

Title: Implications of power-line communication on distributed data acquisition and control system

Author(s): Lobashov, M.; Pratl, G.; Sauter, T.

Author Affiliation: Inst. of Comput. Technol., Vienna Univ. of Technol., Austria

Conference Title: EFTA 2003. 2003 IEEE Conference on Emerging Technologies and Factory Automation. Proceedings (Cat. No.03TH8696)
Part vol.2 p.607-13 vol.2

Publisher: IEEE, Piscataway, NJ, USA

Publication Date: 2003 Country of Publication: USA 2 vol.xxiv+663+ix+795 pp.

ISBN: 0 7803 7937 3 Material Identity Number: XX-2003-03375

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Conference Title: 2003 IEEE Conference on Emerging Technologies and Factory Automation. Proceedings

Conference Sponsor: IEEE Ind. Electron. Soc.; UNINOVA & Univ. Nova de Lisboa-FCT- DEE

Conference Date: 16-19 Sept. 2003 Conference Location: Lisbon, Portugal

Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: Automated meter reading, energy billing and energy management are applications that are based on and require remote access to control networks. Such applications are intrinsically linked to power -lines and as such suggest using the power distribution grid not only energy transport but also as the communication medium. This paper for describes a data acquisition and control system for **energy** distribution power -lines and IP-based networks for consumption using communications. The primary application is meter reading with fine-grained resolution both in time and location of consumption . The paper describes the communication architecture and the services provided by the system and show how the peculiarities of especially the power-line communication influence the design of the interconnection between the two network types. Security aspects of the system are also discussed. (12 Refs)

Subfile: B C

Descriptors: carrier transmission on power lines; data acquisition; energy management systems; invoicing; IP networks; power consumption; security of data; telecontrol

Identifiers: power-line communication; distributed data acquisition; automated meter reading; energy billing; energy management; remote access; control networks; power distribution grid; energy transport; IP-based networks; fine-grained resolution; communication architecture; system security aspects

Class Codes: B8150 (Power system measurement and metering); B7210G (Data acquisition systems); B6210J (Telemetry); B6240J (Power line systems); C7410B (Power engineering computing); C3370G (Control applications in data transmission); C3250 (Telecontrol and telemetering components); C3210G (Data acquisition systems for control)

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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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06310346 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9608-8670-014, C9608-3350N-005

Title: A low cost automatic mill load level control strategy

Author(s): Hecht, H.M.; Derick, G.R.

Author Affiliation: Holderbank Eng. Canada Ltd., Mississauga, Ont., Canada

Conference Title: 1996 IEEE/PCA Cement Industry Technical Conference. XXXVIII Conference Record (Cat. No. 96CH35863) p.341-9

Publisher: IEEE, New York, NY, USA

Publication Date: 1996 Country of Publication: USA 392 pp. ISBN: 0 7803 3014 5 Material Identity Number: XX96-01070 U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code: 0 7803 3014 5/96/\$5.00

Conference Title: Proceedings of 38th Cement Industry Technical

Conference

Conference Sponsor: Ind. Applications Soc. Cement Ind. Committee of the IEEE; Portland Cement Assoc.; Manuf. Process Committee

Conference Date: 14-18 April 1996 Conference Location: Los Angeles, CA, USA

Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: A low cost control strategy has been developed, which can maintain a mill production near optimum, with little operator intervention. The mill load control strategy is based on the use of classic sensors such mill sound and recirculating bucket elevator power plus the not-so-often used mill motor power . The heart of the strategy consists of a standard PID algorithm for control: therefore, it is not rule-based or considered an expert system. Because of this, there is no requirement for special hardware or additional computers. The control strategy is integrated into the plant's existing control system which provides training and maintenance benefits. The strategy uses the traditional signals such as mill sound and recirculating bucket elevator power as well as the mill power to determine the mill load level. The load level is defined as the total of the grinding charge and material in the mill. The control strategy attempts to keep this load level as constant as possible. The setpoint for the master controller is derived from the mill motor power. The strategy automatically takes into account changes in material grindability, grinding charge, material retention time and different product types. Maintaining a mill load level is accomplished by balancing the mill load level against the power-derived setpoint. (0 Refs)

Subfile: B C

Descriptors: acoustic variables measurement; cement industry; electric sensing devices; grinding; industrial control; materials handling; power measurement; three-term control

Identifiers: automatic mill load level control strategy; mill production; mill sound sensors; recirculating bucket elevator power sensor; mill motor power sensor; standard PID algorithm; training; maintenance; grinding charge; master controller setpoint; material grindability; material retention time; cement industry

Class Codes: B8670 (Power applications in glass, ceramic, brick and cement industries); B7230 (Sensing devices and transducers); B7310F (Power and energy measurement); B7320Z (Other nonelectric variables measurement); C3350N (Control applications in glass, ceramics, brick and cement industries); C7420 (Control engineering computing); C3355C (Control applications in machining processes and machine tools)
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Flipping the E-Commerce Switch: Five Steps to Payments Automation.

Grant, Michael

Engdahl, Stephen F

AFP Exchange (AFP Exchange) v. 23 no3 (May/June 2003) p. 68-71

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LANGUAGE: English

COUNTRY OF PUBLICATION: United States

ABSTRACT: Florida **Power** & Light (FPL) **uses** client/server technology to enhance customer **service**, quality, and overall performance, including payments. Payments are handled from multiple sources, among them e-payments, the FPL payment processing center, and independent pay agents. The utility's **automated** approach to online **bill** delivery, payment, financial control, matching, and reconciliation has improved operational performance and reduced the risk of fraud via timely identification of errors and rapid verification of deposits. Details are provided of the five steps involved in FPL's quest to automate its e-commerce chain: online bill or statement delivery, bill payment, payment-to-invoice matching, reconciliation, and exception management workflow. DESCRIPTORS:

Electric power--Electronic commerce; Electronic bill presentment and payment systems--Case studies

COMPANY NAME: Florida Power & Light Co -- -- Information systems

SIC CODES: 4911
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DIALOG(R)File 103:Energy SciTec (c) 2009 Contains copyrighted material. All rts. reserv. 04668328 EDB-01-017572

Title: Battling the mountain of billing data : BC Hydro automates billing for its largest customers

Author(s): Doroff, S.

Source: Electrical Business v 36:12. Coden: ELBUAI ISSN: 0013-4244

Publication Date: Dec 2000 p 13 Document Type: Journal Article

Language: English

Journal Announcement: EDB0104

Subfile: ETD (Energy Technology Data Exchange). CANM (Canada (sent to DOE from))

Country of Origin: Canada

Country of Publication: Canada

Abstract: BC Hydro, with a consumer base of 1.5 million, was faced with a decision to replace their antiquated semi- automated but non-scalable billing system. After rigorous evaluation the utility selected LODESTAR Corporation's 'BillingExpert' system as the billing engine that offered the unique and complex functions and flexibility needed to gain the upper hand over billing and to regain credibility with the utility's consumers and internal stakeholders. The new system performs most functions automatically, yet the utility retains complete control over quality assurance of the billing process. The new system allows BC Hydro to modify rates and riders on the fly; it has also unlocked vital customer data, making it available across the company within days instead of weeks. To leverage the access to customer data, the utility also purchased the 'LoadMap' with 'Bill Calculation' software for calculating the economic impact of alternate-load and pricing options. Using data from [sup B]illingExpert' the sales support group is now able to run 'what if' scenarios to evaluate various load-shaping and load-shifting alternatives as well as pricing models. Other projects in development include a new pilot program for testing time-of-use rates for commercial accounts. The 'BillingExpert' program has also been

implemented for the settlement and billing side of wholesale transmission contracts.

Descriptors: POWER DISTRIBUTION; ENERGY CONSUMPTION; ACCOUNTING;

INVOICES; COMPUTERIZED CONTROL SYSTEMS

Broader Terms: ON-LINE CONTROL SYSTEMS

INIS Subject Categories: S24

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DIALOG(R)File 103:Energy SciTec

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00514720 EPA-05-004325; EDB-79-094185

Title: Tragic failure of energy planning

Author(s): Henderson, C.

Affiliation: Princeton Center for Alternative Futures, Inc., Princeton, NJ

Source: Bull. At. Sci. (United States) v 34:10. Coden: BASIA

Publication Date: Dec 1978

p 15-19

Document Type: Journal Article

Language: English

Journal Announcement: EDB7908

Subfile: EPA (Energy Abstracts for Policy Analysis); TIC (Technical

Information Center).

Country of Origin: United States

Abstract: Mr. Henderson states that since President Carter's energy plan presentation of April 20, 1977, the American people and those in the White House and on Capitol Hill have failed to agree on even the rudiments of a strategy for controlling the nation's extravagant consumption . The most credible explanation seems to be that out of ignorance or perversity most Americans are unwilling to accept either the Carter administration's warning that an energy crisis exists, or the impoverishment of their materialistic, energy-driven life-styles which coping with it demands. If this is so, then the future of U.S. energy planning can be forecast with a reasonable high degree of certainty. Mr. Henderson also feels that the energy package passed by the Congress on October 15, 1978, will fail to meaningfully reduce America's still-rising consumption of energy resources despite President Carter's euphoric statement . Consequently the serious problems being exacerbated by this failure, such as our recent record balance -of-trade and payments deficits, or the salvaging of the U.S. dollar on foreign exchange markets, will go unchecked. This setback will force the Carter administration to rely on catch as catch can price increases which won't resolve the crisis, and will be viewed by the **energy - consuming** public as just another round of inflation. Within the next two years or so, the deteriorating U.S. energy situation will require that the White House and Congress take firm and immediate action -- most probably the implementation of the nation's Standby Gasoline Rationing Program mandated by the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975 in response to the 1973--74 Arab oil embargo.;

Major Descriptors: *ENERGY POLICY -- EVALUATION; *ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT -- IMPLEMENTATION; *NATIONAL ENERGY PLAN -- EVALUATION Descriptors: ALLOCATIONS; COMPLIANCE; ENERGY; FAILURES; INFLATION; PLANNING Broader Terms: ENERGY POLICY; GOVERNMENT POLICIES; LAWS; NORTH AMERICA Subject Categories: 293000* -- Energy Planning & Policy -- Policy, Legislation, & Regulation

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DIALOG(R)File 610:Business Wire

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Ambient Corporation and Bechtel Telecommunications Announce Technical Services Agreement and Letter of Intent-Bechtel to Provide Engineering and Construction Management Support for Ambient Corporation's Powerline...

Business Wire

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Tuesday, March 20, 2001 08:04 EST

JOURNAL CODE: BW LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

DOCUMENT TYPE: NEWSWIRE

WORD COUNT: 985

...individual homes and businesses can also be used to transmit high-speed data.

Ambient's **Powerline** Telecommunications Technology is designed to enable utilities and power companies to partner with Ambient in creating baskets of utility and **consumer services**. These utility **services** are expected to include such features as **automatic** meter reading (AMR), load switching/ **balancing**, demand management, outage reporting, real-time **billing** and alarm monitoring. **Consumer services** may feature Internet, telephony, video-on-demand, content, and smart appliances. Both baskets of **services** will be achieved **using** Ambient **Powerline** Telecommunications Technology and existing infrastructure across electric **powerlines**.

Mark Isaacson, CEO of Ambient, stated, "The partnership with Bechtel Telecoms helps position Ambient and...

24/3,K/34 (Item 10 from file: 20)

DIALOG(R)File 20:Dialog Global Reporter (c) 2009 Dialog. All rts. reserv. 15721652 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

(BW) Former New York State Attorney General Robert Abrams Appointed to Ambient Corporation Advisory Board

BUSINESS WIRE March 21, 2001

JOURNAL CODE: WBWE LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT WORD COUNT: 1015

... demand, content, and smart appliances. Both baskets of services will be achieved using Ambient's **Powerline** Telecommunications technology (PLT) across electrical **powerlines** and utilizing existing infrastructure.

Last November Ambient jointly announced with Consolidated Edison of New York...

24/3,K/35 (Item 11 from file: 20)

DIALOG(R)File 20:Dialog Global Reporter (c) 2009 Dialog. All rts. reserv. 15703120 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

(BW) Ambient Corporation and Bechtel Telecommunications Announce Technical Services Agreement and Letter of Intent

BUSINESS WIRE March 20, 2001

JOURNAL CODE: WBWE LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT WORD COUNT: 973

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24/3,K/37 (Item 13 from file: 20)

DIALOG(R)File 20:Dialog Global Reporter

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(BW) Dr. Oleg Vorontsov, PhD. to Join Ambient Corporation Advisory Board BUSINESS WIRE

March 14, 2001

JOURNAL CODE: WBWE LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 936

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24/3,K/40 (Item 1 from file: 15)

DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)

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Facilitating knowledge sharing in Russian and Chinese subsidiaries: the role of personal networks and group membership

Hutchings, Kate; Michailova, Snejina

Journal of Knowledge Management v8n2 PP: 84-94 2004

ISSN: 1367-3270 JRNL CODE: JOKM

WORD COUNT: 6682

...TEXT: a great extent, the result of dealing with the permanent shortage of any kind of **resources** and **consumer** goods, poor quality and terrible delays in **service** and as such, blat was an essential lubricant of life. Blat opened doors, forbidden doors...

...networks with their connections. According to Neidhart (2002) these favor banks did not keep formal **accounts**; the books **balanced automatically**. If someone contributed too little to the network, one lost one's "credit-worthiness". No...

...the environment. There were no dramatic changes or revolutionary transformations. Thus, it was not a **problem** to wait for a returned favor. It would be misleading to believe that **informal** networks are merely a remainder of central planning. They have their cultural roots that are...

24/3,K/41 (Item 2 from file: 15)

DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)

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00676468 93-25689

Eye on the future

Reznicek, Bernard W; Long, John T; Sherer, Harold N Jr; Sans Crainte, Charles V; et al

Transmission & Distribution v45n1 PP: 34-58 Jan 1993

ISSN: 0041-1280 JRNL CODE: TMD

WORD COUNT: 10405

...TEXT: one-yr power quality pilot project whereby a full-time engineer is assigned to customer **problems**. Monthly meetings are held with commercial and industrial customers. Seminars are scheduled to **inform** customers about how to protect their electrical systems and upgrade their equipment before trouble arises...and provide new services.

Technology will be our ally in 1993 and beyond. From providing **automated** customer **account balance** information to detecting the location of lightning strikes, Union Electric Co. relies on automation to deliver responsive **service**. **Using** technology, we are "personalizing" our **service**, while increasing reliability and efficiency.

However, the key to achieving this increase is to enhance...

24/3,K/42 (Item 1 from file: 148)

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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04605326 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 08519638 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

Audit software eliminates unnecessary charges. (medical care)

Graff, Corlet

Risk Management, v37, n5, p53(4)

May, 1990

ISSN: 0035-5593 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 2226 LINE COUNT: 00176

... exception, noting the need for specific medical knowledge. For example, in the case of surgery **bills**, the system **automatically** suspends the **bill** for later review and **resolution** by a registered nurse. Experience has shown that 10 percent to 20 percent of these **bills** require the attention of registered nurses.

Once the system and auditor have determined that the **alert** the bill auditor to potential or known billing **problems**. In some cases this technique is used to route all bills from a provider directly...

...from a red-flag provider, the system automatically displays a red screen with instructions to **alert** the bill auditor to potential or known billing **problems**. In some cases this technique is used to route all bills from a provider directly...

24/3,K/43 (Item 1 from file: 624)

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POWER-LINE, REFINING ADVANCES TAKE PLACE AT DOE'S IDAHO LAB

Bill Loveless

Federal Technology Report, Vol. 9, No. 9, Pg 5

September 6, 2001

JOURNAL CODE: TTR

SECTION HEADING: FEDERAL LABS ISSN: 1042-9158/9

WORD COUNT: 920

TEXT:

...Ambient's technology facilitates the transfer of Internet and high-speed data through ordinary electric **power lines**, the company said. Ambient plans to partner with utilities and **power** companies to create combinations of utility and **consumer services**. The utility **services** would include **automatic** meter reading, load switching and **balancing**, demand management, outage reporting, real-time **billing**, and alarm monitoring, Ambient said.

Consumer services would include Internet access, telephone calls, video-on...

24/3,K/44 (Item 2 from file: 624)

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Promise of power line technology still some distance away in the U.S.

Retail Services Report, Vol. 4, No. 4, Pg 15

April 13, 2001 JOURNAL CODE: RS

SECTION HEADING: TECHNOLOGY

WORD COUNT: 749

TEXT:

...and regulatory support to Ambient.

Ambient is also working with Cisco Systems to develop new **powerline** technology. And last summer, it started working with New York's Consolidated Edison, its only utility partner so far. Ambient says its technology would allow utilities to perform **automatic** meter reading, load switching/ **balancing**, demand management, outage reporting, real-time **billing** and alarm monitoring through the **power lines**. Utilities could also offer **consumer services** like Internet, telephony, video-on-demand, content, and smart appliances. TABLE:

IV. Additional Resources Searched

NEXIS-

(((resource* or power or service* or water or electricity or telephone or gas or energy or coal or hydroelectric or liquid w/2 (product* or fuel*)) w/10 (consum! or consumption or use or uses or used or using or usage or utiliz!)) w/30 ((automatic or automatically or automated) w/5 ((reconcil! or settl! or settlement* or resov!! or resolution* or balanc!) w/15 (record or records or notice or notices or bill or bills or billing* or statement or statements or account or accounts or log or logs)))) and DATE(<2004-03-26)

No relevant results.